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SUBJECT

: Nomination of R. Jack Smith for the 1966 Career Service Awards Program sponsored by the National

Civil Service League

1. This memorandum transmits for your signature a letter nominating Dr. R. Jack Smith for the 1766 Career Service Awards program. The nominating document was prepared in collaboration with and other officials in DDI and was reviewed by the Deputy Director of Security.

- 2. The Agency is invited each year to nominate candidates for the Career Service Awards program sponsored by the National Civil Service League. This is the same award presented to Mr. Lyman Kirkpatrick in 1960, to Dr. Sherman Kent in 1961, to Mr. Arthur Lundahl in 1963, to Mr. James Lay is 1964, and to Mr. Richard Helms in 1965. The letter from ex-Postmaster General J. Edward Day, President of the National Civil Service League, and the League's booklet dedicated to last year's vizners of Career Service Awards are attached.
- 3. It is recommended that you sign the attached letter to Mr. Day and the nominating document for submission to the National Civil Service League. The deadline date for the submission of nominations is 20 December 1965.

Emmett D. Echols Director of Personnel

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The Honorable J. Edward Day, President National Civil Service League 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Day:

Thank you for your letter inviting me to nominate candidates for the National Civil Service League's twelfth annual Career Service Awards and also for the excellent booklet dedicated to last year's award winners. We procured extra copies of the booklet and distributed them to senior officials in the Agency and to our Personnel Recruiting Officers.

I welcome the opportunity of nominating Dr. R. Jack Smith, the Director of Current Intelligence in the Central Intelligence Agency, for the 1966 Career Service Award. Dr. Smith's fine performance in the demanding and exacting profession of intelligence production and reporting ranks him as one of the top intelligence analysts in our country and an outstanding expert on foreign affairs. The quality and quantity of intelligence, produced under Dr. Smith's direction, particularly during the Cuban crisis and the increasing involvement of the United States in Vietnam, has won wide acclaim in the United States intelligence community. I believe his professional competence and leadership and his contributions to our national security merit public recognition.

I am pleased that you are serving as President of the League and commend you and your associates for continuing the Cereer Service Ayards program which is an important public service. The Centrel Intelligence Agency is honored to have had five of our officers selected as winners of the League's award.

Sincerely,

W. F. Raborn Director

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